of a patient's body [(not represented) in order] and
adapted to deliver and/or sample the fluid (4) to or from
[it] said distal end through at least one channel (7, 8),
[the other] a second end (6) being [called] a proximal
end, [since it is specifically intended] said proximal
end adapted to be connected to a means (9) for
circulating fluid (4), [such as a fluid perfusing and/or
extracting means,]

in order to constitute its] said distal end of said catheter, [it comprises beyond a so-called] having a dividing point (12) located at a predetermined distance D1 from [its] said proximal end (6), and having at least two distinct elongated end portions (13, 14) extending from said dividing point [which:]

- [-] wherein said at least two end portions, in at least one rest position of the catheter, extend substantially parallel to [the] a longitudinal axis of [this] said catheter, each over a predetermined length (L1, L2) measurable between a free end of said distal end (13A, 14A) and the dividing point (12),
- [-] wherein said at least two end portions are each made of flexible material so as to be flexible at least under the effect of a lateral action due to the displacement of a fluid, and
- [- contain] wherein each of said at least two end portions contains at least one segment of at



37	least one of	he lumens	(2, 3	) and	[have]	<u>has</u>	at	least
38	one channel (	(, 8) for	delive	ring a	nd/or	sampl	ing	the
3'9	fluid.							

- 2. (Amended) The <u>multilumen</u> catheter
   according to claim 1, [characterized in that] <u>wherein</u>:
   [the] <u>each of said at least two</u> end
- portions [have] <u>has a</u> different [lengths] <u>length</u> (L1, L2), and
  - the channels with which [these] <u>each of</u>

    <u>said at least two</u> end portions are equipped are [disposed so that each of them] <u>so constructed and arranged such</u>

    <u>that each</u> emerges at a different [level of] <u>position</u>

    <u>along</u> the catheter.
  - 3. (Amended) The <u>multilumen</u> catheter according to claim 2, [characterized in that] <u>wherein</u> the channels with which the <u>at least two</u> end portions are equipped are disposed in a group on each end portion, and [these] <u>wherein said</u> groups are disposed at different [levels of] <u>positions along</u> the catheter.

## REMARKS

This Preliminary Amendment is filed to add appropriate headings in the specification to conform the specification to U.S. standards, and to amend the claims